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AMENDMENT REQUEST BEFORE ISSUE

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SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

This amendment complies with the revised 37 CFR 1.121 (1) - Amendment by instruction to delete, replace, or add a paragraph by submitting only a marked-up version showing changes made.

In order to facilitate in locating the site of the amendments, the applicant will be using the reference numbers enclosed in brackets that were assigned by the PTO to each paragraph/subheading of the text for publication as a **US Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0043544 A1 dated April 18, 2002.**

1. This amendment is contingent on the Examiner approving the inclusion of Figs. 33-A' and 33-B'.

Location: **Between** figure descriptions [0159] and [0160]

Please insert the following additional figure descriptions:

FIG. 33-A' is a partial perspective view of a bike having three pack carriers - one horizontally positioned over the back wheels and two vertically placed astride the back wheels.

FIG. 33-B' is a view of FIG. 33-A' wherein each pack carrier is loaded with any non-customized commercially available backpack.